

Impact by Dead Channels in CMS HCAL on the Missing Et Measurement

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Introduction

The front end electronics will be located in the "decoder box" that is installed at the large eta large, large z corner of the HB, and in a similar position in HE. The access to the electronics inside the box will be extremely limited due to the cabling/piping of services for other CMS detectors. Thus accesses to the inside of the decoder box will occur infrequently (order once per two - five years). This implies that electronics channel failures will not be repaired immediately. The purpose of this study is what the effect of dead channels will have on missing Et performance.

The Model

Using our parameterized simulation program[1], we have created the LEGO for the HAC1, HAC2, the HO, and the ECAL separately. We are using the QCD process with Pt of jets greater than 2.5 TeV, as a physics source to estimate the Et missing. (ISAJET cards in appendix 1).

We concentrated on the HAC1 and HAC2 and looked at the following cases: 0 %; 5%, or 10% random dead channels in HAC1 and HAC2. For each channel, a random number between 0 and 1 was chosen. If the number was < 0.05 (or 0.1% for the 10% case), the energy in that channel of the lego was zeroed. Then the total missing Et was recalculated and compared to the case with no dead channels. (See figure 1). For the case of 5%, as shown in figure 1, we see little difference. We found that the maximum damage at Et missing around 500 GeV is about factor of 2 for the case of 10 % dead channel, which is still acceptable for most of physics study, such as SUSY search.[2]

Conclusions

The missing Et distribution is insensitive to dead channels to the level of about 5%. This level of allowed failure rate is something we should be able to achieve. It will be interesting to extend this study to other physics processes, for example reconstruction of $W \rightarrow 2$ jets.

References

[1] A.Beretvas et al, "SSCSIM: Development and Use by the Fermilab SDC group", in Proc. of MC93, The international Conference on Monte Carlo Simulations in High Energy Physics and Nuclear Physics, Tallahassee, Florida, Feb.1993

[2] Missing Et + jet Signals for Super-symmetry in the CMS Detector at the LHC FERMILAB-FN-642 CMS-TN/96-058 I.Gaines et al. June 1996

Appendix 1

ISAJET JOB CARDS

14000,1,1,0/

TWOJET

BEAMS

P',**P**'/

PT

2500.,3500.,2500.,3500./

TMASS

175/

JETTYPE1

'UP', 'DN', 'GL', 'UB', 'DB', 'ST', 'SB', 'CH', 'CB', 'BT', 'BB'/

JETTYPE2

'UP','DN','GL','UB','DB','ST','SB','CH','CB','BT','BB'/

SEED

94665/

NTRIES

20000/

END

STOP

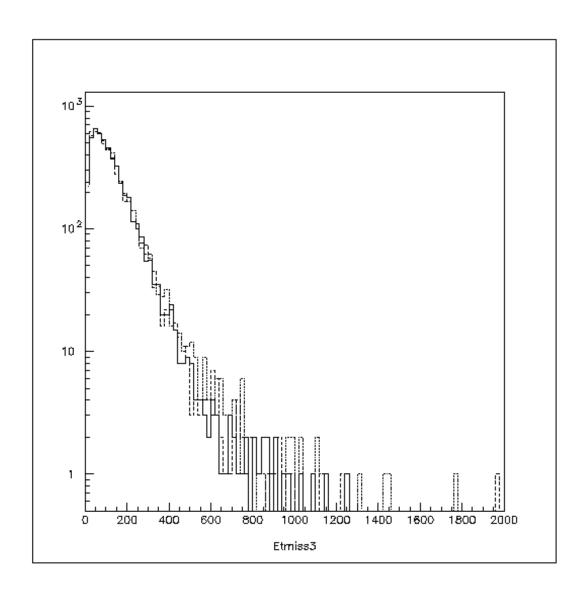


Figure 1. Missing Et distribution for 0% dead channels (solid); 5% dead channels (small dashes); and 10% dead channels (large dashes).